

LOYALTY

CLASIFICACIÓN: PRINTS

SERIE: ABSURDITIES (PRINTS Y DRAWINGS, CA.1815-1824)



DATOS GENERALES

CRONOLOGÍA	1815 - 1819
DIMENSIONES	246 x 358 mm
TÉCNICA Y SOPORTE	Etching and burnished aquatint
RECONOCIMIENTO DE LA AUTORÍA DE GOYA	Documented work
FICHA: REALIZACIÓN/REVISIÓN	22 Aug 2021 / 05 Jun 2023
INVENTARIO	964 -

HISTORIA

See *Femenine folly*.

There is a state test with a legend that says *Loyalty*.

ANÁLISIS ARTÍSTICO

The centre of the composition is occupied by a repulsive and unpleasant figure, in a beatific pose with his hands clasped, his head swollen and sitting on a chair with his bare feet. Around him, to the right and left, a group of figures mock him. Only a small dog stands faithfully at his feet. In the background, to the right, a figure on horseback watches the mockery in the half-light.

The ugly and nauseating protagonist seems to be aware of his appearance, as he remains

impassive in the face of the attack he is suffering, unable to defend himself. Goya probably intended to ridicule those who remain entrenched and immobile in their own convictions, closing their eyes to reality, not noticing how they are mocked, and criticising the hypocrisy of those who believe they are their loyal servants. It is also conjectured that the protagonist was ill, because a figure in the group on the left points a large syringe at him, making the picture a criticism of doctors, as Goya's lack of sympathy for doctors is well known.

The print is characterised by the use of a two-tone aquatint: a medium tone for the figures and the ground, and a darker tone for the background.

The preparatory drawing for the present print, also entitled *Loyalty*, has survived.

EXPOSICIONES

Goya

Musée Jacquemart-André Paris 1961
consultant editor Jean-Gabriel Domergue. From December 1961 to February 1962

1976

Goya y el espíritu de la Ilustración

Museo Nacional del Prado Madrid 1988
from October 6th to December 18th 1988. Exhibited also at Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, January 18th to March 26th 1989; The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Nueva York, May 9th to July 16th 1989, Madrid curator Manuela B. Mena Marqués, scientific directors Alfonso E. Pérez Sánchez and Eleanor A. Sayre

Goya grabador

Museo del Grabado Español Contemporáneo Marbella 1996
from March 8th to May 5th 1996

1999

Bilbao 2012

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1964
Bruno Cassirer

Etchings by Francisco Goya

Johannesburgo Johannesburgo 1974

Boston 1974

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Casa de la Amistad de Moscú Moscú 1979

exhibition displayed from January 18th to 31st 1979

Francisco Goya. Sein leben im spiegel der graphik.

Fuendetodos 1746-1828
Bordeaux. 1746-1996

Galerie Kornfeld Bern 1996

from November 21st 1996 to January 1997

Zaragoza 1996

Madrid 1999

Goya et la modernité

Pinacothèque de Paris Paris 2013

from October 11st 2013 to March 16th 2014

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Vie et ouvre de Francisco de Goya

GASSIER, Pierre y WILSON, Juliet
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1970
Office du livre

Goya. Das Zeitalter der Revolutionen. Kunst um 1800 (1980 – 1981)

Hamburger Kunsthalle Hamburg 1980

cat. 159

Goya. 250 Aniversario

Museo Nacional del Prado Madrid 1996

consultant editor Juan J. Luna.
From March 29th to June 2nd 1996

London 1997

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Munich 2000

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Fernando y Calcografía Nacional

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PALABRAS CLAVE

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